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Optimizing Absorption of)
Electromagnetic Energy) Deposit Account No.: 04-1403

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

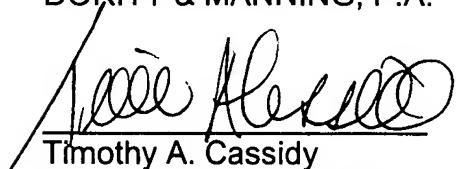
Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 7 and replace the deleted paragraph with the replacement paragraph as follows (See also Appendix A):

The present application is a continuation in part application of U.S. Patent Application having Serial No. 09/747,522, which was filed on December 21, 2000.

Please charge any additional fees required by this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 04-1403.

Respectfully submitted,

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